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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 41.31 the Appellants hereby respectfully submit a notice of appeal in response to the Office Action mailed May 20, 2008, on the basis that Applicants' claims have been twice rejected. More specifically, in response to Applicants' Appeal Brief mailed February 6, 2008, prosecution has been reopened. However, the current ground for rejection over U.S. 6,887,348 to Hermans et al. under 35 U.S.C. 102(e) is the same as that previously appealed. Also, the newly-added ground for rejection over Hermans et al. under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) was previously overcome during prosecution (see Applicants' Response dated February 23, 2007) because Hermans et al. was commonly-assigned at the time this invention was made and therefore is not available as a prior art reference under 35 U.S.C. 103(a). Therefore Applicants elect to reinstate the appeal and will submit a new appeal brief addressing both grounds of rejection.

Please apply (1) the \$510.00 (code 1401) fee designated in 37 C.F.R. 41.20(b)(1) which was paid for the Notice of Appeal filed on February 28, 2008 to this new Notice of Appeal. Please charge any other prosecutional fees which are due to Kimberly-Clark Worldwide, Inc. Deposit account number 11-0875.

Respectfully submitted,

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